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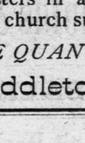

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With my face upturned to the bending sky,
I shall not hear the wind and rain
Beating against the window pane,
I shall not sit as I sit to-night;
And watch the chanceful embers bright,
And sigh as I think of the fading years,
And the cherished hopes that were drowned in tears.

In a little while, when the grass shall wave
It's plumy length o'er my lonely grave;
When the sun shall rise, and the sun shall set,
And none will murmur a fond regret—
Then I shall not hear the wild bird's song,
Nor heed the hum of the busy throng
Who pass me by as I lie at rest,
With tired hands folded over my breast.

In a little while, when life is done,
And I stand before the great white throne,
Whose radiance blinds my poor, weak sight
As darkness yields to the morning light—
Will rest come then to heart and brain,
And ease quick follow on haunting pain—
Shall I know at last in my quiet bed
Rest only comes to the shadowy dead?

I shall not heed when the coffin lid
Is closed, and the form within is hid
From the careless gaze of the careless crowd,
Who idly chatter in accents loud.
I shall not heed the sods that lie
Between my face and the summer sky;
I shall only know that to-morrow's sun
Wakes me no more. Life's work is done.
—Detroit Free Press.

LOVE VERSUS SCIENCE.

Time, the early fifties. Places, a country school-house on a central Illinois prairie. Illinois was not the greatest railway state in the Union then. It was a state of magnificent distances of prairie, bottomless sloughs—everybody called them "slood"—dense forests here and there, and wide expanses of "fevernagur" everywhere. Vagrant herds of deer still found room to grow up with the country, the howl of the wild "painter" was heard occasionally in the woods at nightfall.

It was Friday afternoon and school was out for the week. The youngsters had gathered their books, fled out of the door with a whoop, and were on their way home. Some of the older pupils—there were no pupils then, however, they were all scholars—had lingered to discuss the absurdity of a propositian laid down by the school-master in the little talk with which he was accustomed to wind up the exercises Friday afternoons, when the program of "speeches" and "compositions" had been finished. This proposition or statement was to the effect that two straight lines could approach each other forever without coming quite together. He had made this assertion incidently, without stopping to demonstrate it, and with all their reverence for his superior knowledge, they couldn't swallow it.

Hiram Walker, the young man who for a consideration of $35 a month and the privilege of "boarding round" among the families represented in his school had been imported from an Obio college to teach the early central Illinois idea how to shoot, was apparently absorbed in the work of arranging the books and papers in his desk preparatory to locking them up. Apparently he had forgotten that he was to spend the coming week with the family of Farmer Sanford, whose eldest daughter, Mary, was the brightest, smartest and prettiest girl in the whole school, and that it was his habit to begin his week of boarding Friday evening. He did not seem to notice that Miss Mary was preparing to slip quietly out of the door. Yet he was not so deeply interested with his books and papers that he did not hear the subdued comments of the incredulous big boys and girls concerning the two straight lines always getting nearer and nearer each other and yet never coming together. He listened with a faint suggestion of a smile on his face to the words and fragmentary sentences that reached his ear, and went on arranging his desk.

Presently he took from its inmost recesses a big oblong ball of twine, such as kite-flying boys are wont to make by winding it criss-cross on a stick of wood, put it in his pocket and closed the desk with a slam.

"By the way, Miss Mary," he said to Farmer Sanford's daughter after he had shut and locked the door of the school-house and found himself, apparently by accident, overtaking her, "I am to be a boarder at your house for the next week, if I am not mistaken."

"Yes, sir," replied Miss Mary, looking straight ahead

"You expect to board there right along just the same as ever?"

"Yes, sir."

"Going home now, are you not?"

"Yes, sir."

"No other road there than this?"

"Not that I know of."

"Then we can't help going there together, can we?"

"I suppose not."

This fact being logically established, Mr. Hiram Walker took from his pocket the oblong ball of twine.

"Now, Miss Mary," he said, with the manner of a man bent wholly on demonstrating a proposition in mathematics, "if you doubt that two lines can approximate each other forever yet never coincide, I will prove it to you."

"I didn't say I doubted it, Mr. Walker."

"But you do doubt it."

"How do you know?"

"By the twinkle in your eyes."

She looked straight ahead again.

"It may be all true according to science and the books," she said, "but it don't seem possible that it can be so, actually and really."

"This ball of twine," the schoolmaster went on, "belongs to Tommy Flanders. He was playing with it in school and I had to take it away from him. He can have it again next week, but in the meantime I am going to use it to establish a scientific fact."

He picked up a bit of wood, tied the loose end of the kite string to it, drove it into the ground at one side of the smooth road, and walked along on the other side, unrolling the string as he went.

"Now, Miss Mary," he resumed, "you walk in the wagon track on that side of the road and I will walk on this."

The road from the school-house to the Sanford farm dwelling stretched across the level prairie almost as a rule. Mr. Walker, by accident, it seemed, had taken so much time preparing to demonstrate his science that the sun was getting low and nobody was in sight.

"You see, Mary," he said, "that this twine, as I travel along in this, is drawing all the time closer to the line represented by the track on your side, don't you?"

"Yes, sir, but—"

And if we suppose these two tracks to be extended on into infinity and this supply of kite string to hold out forever, don't you see, Mary, that these two lines would be forever and ever getting closer, and yet never—"

"Never? You are getting on this side of your own track already, Mr. Walker."

"Then don't look at me in that way, Mary," he said, warningly, stepping back on his own side and swallowing something that had arisen in his throat. "You are endangering the whole fabric of science. Give me your hand."

"What for?"

"So I can keep at the right distance.

With his left hand clasping her right hand across the roadway they walked slowly along toward the house of the paternal Sanford. It was getting really dark, but the interest of the school-master in his demonstration did not flag. He still unrolled Tommy Flander's twine as he went.

"Mr. Walker—"

"Mary, my name is Hiram."

Dead silence.

"Don't you think, Mr. Walker—"

"My name is Hiram."

"It doesn't seem quite—respectful—for me to call you—Hiram," she said in a low tone.

The whole fabric of science came perilously near being overturned again, but Hiram, by a great effort, kept on his own side of the road.

"I am your teacher, my—I am your teacher, Mary," how he lingered over the syllables of that sweetest of names!—"and if I tell you to call me Hiram out of school, you know, it is perfectly right and respectful."

"Well—Hiram—don't you think it would be impossible for us to go on walking in this way forever?"

"It is getting to be most awfully difficult already," admitted Hiram, "to go on any longer in this way."

"I don't mean—"

"Besides, the string is giving out."

"Then, doesn't that prove—the string isn't quite all gone yet, is it?"

"No," said Hiram, stepping back reluctantly to his own side of the road.

"Doesn't it prove, Hiram, that the two lines, as a matter of fact, would come—together—some time, no matter what science says?"

She was walking quite slowly now, as if impressed by the alarming possibility that the string might give out at any moment.

"No!" There was a ring of triumph in his voice. "Come over on this side of the road, Mary."

He had not let go of her hand the statement may seem superfluous, but it is necessary to accuracy of detail inseparable from the narration of the processes involved in a scientific experiment. He drew her over to his side of the roadway.

"The track you have been walking on, Mary," he whispered, "is still there. Tommy Flanders' kite string is still here. The two lines are approaching each other But they will never coincide. Don't step back please!"

"Mr. Walker—"

"Hiram!"

"Well—Hiram," she said, demurely, "is the—demonstration finished?"

"Not quite."

He dropped the stick from which he had unwound the last of the twine. It interfered, possibly, with the freedom of his gestures.

"Not quite, my own dear Mary. The proposition—don't take your hand away, darling—will not be demonstrated to my entire satisfaction until you have promised that our two lives that have been approaching each other for a long time—you know it don't you?—shall come together—"

"In spite of science?"

"Never mind science just now."

"But look at that kite string,"

Hiram looked. Tommy Flanders' twine lay along the track on the other side of the road. He had thrown it from him too eagerly.

"What difference does that make my own—"

"What difference? Don't you see your demonstration is a failure? Science—"

"Who cares for science now? Mary, will you promise—"

"Will you admit that you haven't proved—"

"I will admit anything dearest. Science is a fraud. There is nothing but love in the whole wide universe. Will that do?"

"I—think it will, Hiram."

"And you promise?"

"Yes, Hiram."

It was ever so faint a whisper, but that designing young man heard it. He gathered her in his arms, and their first kiss, with nobody within hearing distance, smote the night air.

Thus, even in the early fifties, did the omnipresent Ohio man assert and vindicate his inalienable right to capture the fairest and best of everything in creation.

The tomato is a native of South America. It was known in England as early as 1596, but its introduction into North America is credited to the French families who were exiled by the revolution of San Domingo and settled in the eastern part of the United States.

Mr. Edward B. Emory of popular Hill Stock farm, sold his two-year-old filly, Happy Lady by Happy Russell, to Mr. John J. Gibbons of Philadelphia. The price paid was $4000 in cash and a yearling colt, which is a full brother to Happy Bee.

The Ground of His Acquittal.

Here is a San Jose law story from the extensive repertory of W. L. Gill: A young lawyer, a friend of his, not noted for intelligence, succeeded in having a client acquitted of murder. Meeting him a few days afterward Gill was quite warm in congratulations.

"Yes," said the lawyer, mopping his brow, "I got him off, but it was a narrow escape."

"A narrow escape? How?" inquired Gill.

"Ah, the tightest squeeze you ever saw. You know, I examined the witnesses and made the argumens myself, the plea being self-defence. The jury was out two whole days. Finally the Judge called them before him, and asked what the trouble was.

"'Only one thing, your Honor,' replied the foreman. 'Was the prisoner's attorney retained by him or appointed by the Court?"

"'No, gentlemen; the prisoner is a man of means,' said the Judge, and hired his own attorney.'"

"I could not see what bearing the question had on the evidence," continued Mr. Gill's friend, "but ten minutes later in filed the jury, and what do you think the verdict was?"

"What?"

"Why, not guilty, on the ground of insanity."—Wave.

The Laborer Should be Honored.

The real dignity of labor is well symbolized and set forth in those single acts at the beginning or end of a great work which represent to the imagination the whole enterprise. The corner stone of a great building is generally laid by some official dignitary who, in an unaccustomed apron and with a trowel which he uses clumsily, makes a pretense of doing the actual work of putting the stone in place. Crowds stand about to witness the work, and orations are made and hymns sung.

The knocking away of the prop which sends a vessel off the ways and into the water is an event of equal consequence and interest, because it represents the noble task of constructing a great ship.

When one of the greatest engineering works of all time was completed—the construction of the Pacific railroad—it was regarded as a great honor to drive the last spike that bound the last rail to the earth; and the spike which served at least temporarily for the work was made of of silver.

Emperors, kings and presidents start with their own hands the machinery of great industrial exhibitions, themselves typical in a high degree of the importance of manual labor.

In a certain sense it would be more fitting that these ceremonies, which concentrate into a single instant's act long periods of hard labor, should be performed by one of the real workingmen who are engaged upon the enterprise. It is they who do the work, and they might well claim that the honor of the key ceremony belongs to them.

This was what was done, indeed, when the first blow of the pick was struck in the construction of the buildings for the World's fair of 1893 at Chicago.—Youth's Companion.

Fallacy of Fish and Brain.

One popular fallacy in connection with fish may be noticed, namely, the oft repeated assertion that the eating of that particular food increases brain power. No one who has studied the subject can possibly believe the assertion. A man might eat a huge portion of fish every day of his life, and on the day of his death, if the quantity of phosphorus (the brain invigorator) consumed were to become visible, it would not amount to more than might probably suffice to tip a couple of luciter matches.

Communities have existed that lived almost solely on fish, but these ichthyophagists were certainly not famous for intellectual attainments. Nor are our fisher villages, in many of which much fish is presumably, the seats of any great amount of brain power. None of our fisherfolks are remarkable for genius, or even what is called common sense, their views of life and its responsibilities being shrouded in a haze of superstition, which they lack sufficient strength of mind to see through.

No fishing community, so far as is known to the writer, has given to the world a great man. Men of mark—poets, preachers, lawyers, philosophers, warriors and physicians—have emanated, in Scotland at any rate, from all classes except the fishing class.—Temple Bar.

Man's Two Reputations.

I am always interested in what may be called the two reputations which each man has; one is his public name, the other his personal or private eminence; the one is the distinction which he has among people, the other the regard paid to him by his own immediate set or following. Archdeacon Farrar has a great reputation among the ordinary people of America and Great Britain, but scholars look upon him with much of suspicion as an accurate and profound exegete. Bishop Westcott, however, has a small reputation among the people. Probably not one in twenty of those who read this paragraph ever heard his name, but the respect in which he is held by scholars is of the highest.—Chicago Advance.

Lines by Whittier on Lowell.

BOSTON, Aug. 15.—The venerable Poet Whittier writes the following lines in memoriam of an old friend, James Russell Lowell:

From purest wells of English undefiled,
None deeper drank than he, the New World's child,
Who, in the language of their farm fields, spoke
The salt and wisdom of New England folk,
Shaming a monstrous wrong; the world-wild laugh
Provoked thereby might well have shaken half
The walls of slavery down ere yet the ball
And mine of battle overthrew them all.

LOCATING THE QUEEN.

A MAN FROM AWAY BACK FALLS IN WITH A THREE CARD SHARP.

The performance in Forepaugh's Circus tent had just ended. Within the sideshow tents the hand organs set up their loudest and liveliest music and the loud-voiced fakir outside redoubled his oratorical exertions as the great crowd surged past his grand aggregation of wonders. At the southern end of the lake front, away from the noise and hurley burly of the big show, sat two tired looking individuals, whose every appearance indicated that they had left their work upon the farm to enjoy a day with Forepaugh, and had done it so thoroughly that they were half dead with fatigue. A three card monte sharp's eagle eye caught the rustics and he swooped down upon his prey like a young rooster after a potato bug.

"Pretty hot, isn't it?" he began. "You haven't seen a man around here, have you, with a long white linen duster on, tall white hat and plaid suit? No? Well, I'm looking for him. Friend of mine. He's going to have some fellows arrested down there in one of the little tents. Darned fool, I tell him. You see, he was swindled by a couple of men—three card mon—what is it? Oh, yes, three card Monte Carlo. Taken into camp just as slick as grease. Lost a couple of hundred on it in less than a minute. Robbery, nothing else; but a man's a blamed fool to bet his money on another fellow's game. Served him right, I say."

"Cleaned him out, eh?" drawled one of the rustics. "Well, that game is as old as the hills, and a feller that hasn't more sense than to try to beat it ought to be turned out to pasture for a while."

PRETTY GOOD BAIT.

"Looks simple enough," continued the fakir. "I saw the whole thing. Of course I wouldn't bet—not a cent—but blamed if I wouldn't have put my money just where my friend did. Darned sharp, these show fellows. Sleight-of-hand trick, I guess. They mix up the cards some way when they throw them down. That is the only explanation of I can give."

The farmers laughed. "Well, you've guessed it," said one of them after a hearty burst of merriment.

"Oh, laugh away—seems funny enough now; but it isn't so darned funny to the poor fool who loses his money. It isn't an easy thing to do, let me tell you. I can't throw the cards just as those fellows did, but they took three cards, just like this, and threw them down, like that, and then bet that my friend couldn't pick out the queen."

"Straight three card monte, as sure as you're born," said one of the rural visitors. "'I've read all about it a hundred times. Never saw the thing done though."

"Well, this is all there is to it—the showman did nothing more than this. See? Simple enough, ain't it?"

"Why, I should say so! I don't see how your friend lost his money."

"He picked out the wrong card, that's all."

"Couldn't have been watching very sharp, I guess."

"Well, don't you fool yourself. It ain't such an easy trick to pick out the right card. Do you think you can do it?"

"I could if the other fellow didn't do better work than you do."

"Bet you a quarter you can't pick out the queen, just as the cards lie there now."

For an answer the farmer turned over one of the cards, showing the smiling face of the queen.

THE SWINDLER CAUGHT.

"Well, by jingo, you did it the first time. There's your money. Now, then, watch the cards closely. There! Pick out the queen. I'll bet you a dollar you can't do it, or $5 or $10 or $25 or $100."

"Well, put up your money if you want to walk home with your fool friend. "I've just $100 left and it's going to win $100 more for me right here and now."

A moment later one of the grangers held in his hand $200, while the other bent over the cards preparatory to picking out the royal winner.

"Hurry up! Locate the queen and the money's yours; if not, it's mine." And the professional hungrily eyed the staker. But his victim was inclined to move rather leisurely.

"Let's see," he said meditatively, "you stood here just like this, and you held the three three cards in your hand like this, with the queen on top Then you gave your arm a swing like this and"—

"Well!"

"Palmed the queen, dropped the nine spot in its place, and shoved the queen up your right coat sleeve, where it is now. A very bad job, too, partner, because it's dead crooked and so easy that any schoolboy might catch you dead to rights and shoot you full of holes before you could square yourself.

"I shall always remember the last time I worked that lay myself," he continued, as he stowed away the roll of bills. "It was in the summer of 1886. I was doing outside work with Barnum's show that season, and when we struck Louisville I caught a sleepy young fellow with more money than brains and tried to work the 'switch' on him—just as you do it, precisely. I had not finished the experiment before I made a rather startling discovery.

"I found that my left lung was inhaling air through a large hole near the fifth rib. For the next two seasons I did not take an active interest in the circus business. But I eventually took to the road again, and I've been with Sells Brothers ever since up to a week ago, when Joe and I came here to wait for Forepaugh. How are they coming, partner?"—Chicago Mail.

Odds and Ends.

Brass bands are not allowed to play in the streets of Nashville, Tenn.

Ten days per annum is the average amount of sickness in human life.

There are about fourteen hundred places of worship in London, England.

An electrician predicts that electrical fireworks will soon supersede those now used.

Many of the big paper mills have turned out paper belts said to be superior to leather.

A wool of good quality is said to have been made from the fibre of the fir by the aid of electricity.

The maximum safe velocity of cast iron fly-wheels should not exceed the rim speed of 80 feet per second.

Of 305 weather forecasts issued in South Australia, in 1890, 250 were verified and forty were partially verified.

The juice of a half lemon in a tea-cup of strong black coffee, without sugar, will often cure sick headache.

The very art of life, as far as I have been able to observe, consists in fortitude and perserverance.

Francois Coppee, the French author, is fond of cats that surround his desk and nibble at his pen when he writes.

It is stated that coffee is a germicide, the bacilli of cholera and typhus having been destroyed by the infusion of coffee.

The skin of a boiled egg is the best remedy for a boil. Carefully peel it, wet, and apply to the boil; it draws out the matter and relieves the soreness.

When your face and ears burn so terribly bathe them in very hot water—as hot as you can bear it. This will be more apt to cool them than any cold application.

An attempt to produce artificial rain is to be made in Kansas. Balloons filled with hydrogen and oxygen gas will be sent up and be exploded by electricity.

Died Worth Millions.

A rather remarkable miser named Durand has just departed this life in the town of Rodez, France, writes an occasional correspondent. He was eighty-six years old, and, according to the French estimate of fortune, he was a triple millionaire, his *magot* being worth in cash and paper £120,000, or 3,000,000 francs. Durand used to go about the town like a mendicant—so much so that people often offered him alms, but were grinned at for their proffered generosity. He was known to have had but one suit of tailor-made clothes during his long years of residence in Rodez, but on the days when he went to draw his dividends at the local bank he generally donned a garment intended to be ceremonious, which seemed to be a compromise between a blouse and a sack. The miser lived alone in a big house, the doors of which were doubly locked, and occupied himself with mending his clothes and boots, cooking, washing his linen and counting up his money—this last task being his daily delight and principal pastime. Durand has left his house and the bulk of his bullion to a female fishmonger—the widow Noverand—who sometimes visited him. There are two other legacies—one to the Bishop of Rodez, and the other to the Lady Superor of a convent in the town. To his own relatives, some of whom are in poverty, the miser has not left a penny.

A Woman's Presentment.

A prominent physician of this city tells a curious story about a colored woman's presentment, and what came of it.

"Some time ago," he said, "I was called in to attend the wife of one of the most prominent colored men in the city, who then and now holds a position in the service of the government. The woman herself was, in point of intelligence, far above the majority of her race, having been born in New York and educated by the family with whom her mother had been a slave.

"From the time of my arrival she positively refused to take any medicine, alleging that it would be of no avail, as she would die at a certain hour that evening, but would return in a short time for her child. I did not have any idea that she would die, and attributed her ravings to some sort of mania on her part; but, sure enough, at the hour mentioned by her she died.

"The child was placed in the care of a colored woman at Fifth and Walnut streets, and some time afterwards her husband who had been at work, fancied that he had just seen his wife standing before him. I say fancied because I do not believe the story that she actually was there. That moment he was seized with a presentment that the child was dying. He started for the house where it was kept, and there found that a messenger had just been despatched for him, as the child was actually dying, and in a few minutes it did die. Now you may call that superstition, presentment, or whatever you like, but I'm blamed if I can make out what it was."—Wilmington Sunday Star.

Wasting His Breath.

Out at the ball grounds a small boy who occupied a pew in the bleachers said a funny thing. One of the Albany pla[illegible] after a cou[illegible] had bee[illegible] foul to [illegible] ed for [illegible] plun[illegible] steer[illegible] corn[illegible] bleac[illegible] and [illegible] ver[illegible] cul[illegible] ove[illegible]

The Transcript

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THE PENNSYLVANIA Republican State Convention yesterday declared in favor of free coinage of silver. This action does not correspond with the utterances of some of the Republican papers of the State and is a form of heresy which is dangerous in the extreme. Honest money is the proper thing at all times.

IT WOULD be well for *Every Evening* to pay some attention to the question raised by THE TRANSCRIPT last week as to whether or not *Every Evening* is responsible for the absence of the usual number of peach buyers this season. That paper made certain statements concerning the peach crop which are not borne out by the facts. *Every Evening* led people to believe that very little good fruit would be shipped, but the fact is that peaches were never finer than at the present time.

THE ANNUAL meeting of the State Grange is now in progress at Henlopen City. Prominent State and foreign speakers will address the meeting on important questions. The re-union of the Legislature is also being held at the same place. The meeting of the two bodies at the same time and place may lead to good results as it affords an opportunity for public men to talk over affairs with their constituents whose interests need careful consideration at the hands of the next Legislature.

THE *Every Evening* is again engaged in an effort to lead its readers to believe that a desire for an economical administration of county affairs is the controlling influence which leads that paper to pursue its usual course of misrepresentation. The last erratic and senseless article which relates to St. Georges Hundred appeared under glaring headlines last Monday, and is entitled "Old St. Augustine Bridge." Some correspondent who is seemingly very much interested in county affairs writes a great many things concerning which he is evidently ignorant. THE TRANSCRIPT is ready to furnish the *Every Evening* with some information which is founded on fact as well as to prove the untruthfulness of certain statements made in the article referred to. We do not deny that mistakes have been made in the management of the bridge, and that considerable money has been lost there in various ways, but we are prepared to prove that the bridge is in the proper place, that strong tides burdened with ice do not break it down, that an inferior quality of planking is not being used in repairing, that the great majority of people in this hundred would not like to see it abandoned and that it is not there for the sole convenience of four or five "farmer families." The Delaware *News* is right in saying that "the people of New Castle county will soon demand that the Levy Court take some action relative to Augustine bridge," but that action need not be in the direction indicated by the *Every Evening*.

When the *Every Evening* becomes alarmed for the safety of county money the application of that paper for more than one thousand dollars of county funds with which to pay for a private advertising scheme should be remembered. This will apply because a staff correspondent wrote the article relating to Augustine bridge, and the *Every Evening* is therefore responsible for the statement made therein. As to the facts in the case they are set forth in another column.

To illustrate Mr. Lowell's devotion to nice points of social usage, the Boston *Advertiser* relates this anecdote: When he was minister to England a freshman from one of the big American universities called upon him with a letter of introduction. Mr. Lowell made it very pleasant for his young visitor, talked charmingly with him, gave him some friendly advice concerning his tour, and several favors in the form of letters which an American alone had the power to grant. The undergraduate was profuse in his thanks and was bowing himself out of the room after the interview—had even got so far as the outer hall—when Mr. Lowell caught sight of his hat which was of the ordinary derby pattern. He peremptorily called the young man back, and speaking kindly, yet drily, said: "Mr. S——, no real gentleman in England wears derby headgear. You should purchase a high silk hat at once. Your social duties here demand it. Good day."

Smothered in a Wheat Bin.

Frank Richardson, colored, aged ten years, son of Enoch Richardson, of Cedar Hill, while playing about a wheat bin in company with another boy on Friday afternoon, at the grain warehouse of J. H. Armstrong & Co., at Leslie, got into the bin among the wheat which was running rapidly out through a shoot into a car. He went to the [illegible] and was covered up [illegible] which [illegible] him to death [illegible]ered. [illegible]s of [illegible]

Teutonic's New Record.

The White Star Line steamer Teutonic, which arrived at New York yesterday morning from Liverpool, beat the record for the western passages. Her time from the bar at Queenstown to Sandy Hook bar was five days, sixteen hours and thirty-one minutes. This is one hour and thirty-seven minutes faster than the time of her sister ship, the Majestic, which then made the fastest westward passage up to that time.

The Majestic, which has thus lost first place, had held it but a fortnight, having arrived here on the 5th inst., with a record of five days, eighteen hours and eight minutes. The record she then broke was that of the City of Paris—five days, nineteen hours and eighteen minutes—pleted on August 28, 1889.

Not only has the Teutonic created a record, however, which goes far toward realizing the predicted five-and-a-half days' trip, but she has beaten all recorded runs for a single day. This splendid showing was made on the fifth day of the voyage, when she covered 517 miles. The best undisputed day's run previous to this was 509 miles, in the City of Paris trip, although the Teutonic in her disputed record showed 512.

Death of Thomas Ward.

Thomas Ward, living near Earleville, died last night after an illness of about one week. He had been a resident in that neighborhood for a number of years and was highly respected by everyone. He leaves a widow and three children. The funeral will take place Saturday at 11.30 o'clock, A. M.; the interment being made in St. Stephen's cemetery.

Markets for the Week.

The present week has witnessed the greatest flurry in the wheat market which has taken place for a long time. The reports of a great scarcity of cereals in all European counties caused a heavy advance in prices. Wheat has ranged from $1.05 for No. 2 Pennsylvania red last Friday to $1.15 for the same grade Tuesday. Since that time prices have declined somewhat until to-day wheat is worth in Philadelphia $1.09½ for No. 2 Delaware red to $1.11 for No. 2 Pennsylvania red. The advance was caused wholly by a speculative demand which forestalled the natural cause of events by two or three months time. Changes in corn and oats have not been so rapid nor so great. Last Friday corn was worth 72 cents, to-day it is worth 78 to 79 cents. Oats were worth last Friday, for No. 2 white 45 cents in car load lots, to-day it is worth the same, but hard to sell on account of the increasing supply and an apparent desire to sell. The price will probably decrease before the end of another week.

Wholesome Advice.

Dr. William H. Crim, of Baltimore, in speaking of the hot weather and its effects on the system, says: "the best way to avoid the bad effects of hot weather is to reserve one's forces. When an extreme of any kind occurs that we cannot control, the best way to meet it is to modify our own actions to correspond. Dress lightly and comfortably, and take an abundance of rest. Go to bed early and stay in bed as long as possible. Even if you don't sleep you will be resting, and this will help in resisting the effects of general exhaustion produced by the excessive heat. Avoid much mental exertion, for this is even more dangerous than physical exertion. As to eating and drinking, let the appetite be the guide as to what food and drink shall be taken, but take everything in moderation. If you want ice-water drink it, but don't take too much."

Vigorous Action Against Peach Yellows.

The peach-growers in the neighborhood of Smithsburg and Edgemont, Maryland, are becoming alarmed at the rapid spread of the yellows in that district, and have concluded that active steps must be taken to exterminate the disease, or many fine orchards will be destroyed. The Peach-growers' Association has decided that the time has come for a strict enforcement of the law pertaining to the yellows. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That all persons having trees infected with yellows are hereby notified to immediately remove the same, as the law in relation thereto will be enforced.

It was also decided to appoint an expert agent to visit Baltimore to inspect all fruit offered for sale on that market, and have all that is premature condemned and the sellers prosecuted according to law.

Suicide at Bridgeville.

William Layton died at his home in Bridgeville last Saturday afternoon from the effect of a dose of laudanum that he had taken on Friday with suicidal intent. He is a brother of Garrett S. Layton, a prominent Republican of Sussex county. He had frequently threatened to commit suicide but his family had no idea of his real intentions of carrying out his threats. After taking the dose on Friday he fell into a deep stupor, medical aid was summoned but it was impossible to arouse him and he died on Saturday afternoon. No reason has been assigned for the deed. He leaves a wife and seven children. Interment took place on Tuesday at Bridgeville.

The deceased was an uncle of Mr. Philip Layton of this place.

Frederick Ruley, colored, would not lend Walter Crump, also colored, 5 cents while they were "shooting crap" in Wilmington, and Walter bit a big piece out of Frederick's chin. The man-eater will break stone in New Castle jail for two months.

Agnes Jane Jackson, the 16-year-old alleged poisoner of her mother and half-brother and half-sister near St. Georges, who is confined in New Castle jail, declares that her stepfather, Alexander Coffmann, wrongly accused her of the deed, and had her arrested owing to personal malice. The victims are recovering.

Racing at Middletown.

With clear weather, a big crowd of people and the track in good condition the managers of the races given at the Gentlemen's Driving Track last Saturday afternoon certainly had no cause for complaint. The rain that fell during the night did not hurt the track and the warm sun which came out in the morning soon dried things off. About 450 people, including many from a distance, were present.

The judges were Dr. J. C. McCoy and Messrs. George Derrickson of Middletown and George Bennett of Chesapeake City. There were seven entries in the 3.15 class, but when the time came to start only five were ready. In the first heat M. Kumpel was thrown from his sulky, but escaped personal injury, although the sulky was broken and the horse received a few slight injuries. Following is the summary:

3.15 class.

C. F. Crockett, Wild Edge	1	1	2	2
Samuel Peachy, Charlie	2	4	1	1
John M. Clayton, Beulah C.	3	2	3	3
Dr. J. C. McCoy, Oakley Russell	4	5	x	x
M. Kumple, Wasp	5	3	4	x

Time, 3.02¼, 3.00, 2.47¼, 3.00.

2.50 class.

H. Pleasanton, Fred	4	2	1	1
Dr. J. C. McCoy, Red Cedar	1	1	4	2
J. P. Cochran, Jr., Nellie Bly	2	3	2	3
A. N. Crockett, Wildmere	3	4	3	4

Time, 2.53, 2.57, 2.59¾, 2.50.

Free for All Class.

Dr. McCoy, Fascination	1	1	1	1
Geo. H. Houston, Grover C.	2	2	2	2
W. T. Harriott, Garrett	3	3	x	x

Time, 2.50, 2 52, 2.50.

Pleasanton's Fred and McCoy's Red Cedar were about evenly matched and the contest between those two was particularly exciting. Of the first four heats each horse had won two and the interest was at a high pitch when they started on the fifth and deciding heat. Fred led all the way around the first half, but on the second half Barnes urged Red Cedar on and he responded nobly. As they turned down the home stretch Fred was still leading, but Red Cedar drew nearer and nearer until the horses were neck and neck. When within a few yards of the line both broke and as they had not caught when they passed under the wire the judges decided the heat a draw. Mr. Pleasanton claimed that his horse caught in time to trot under the wire, thus winning the heat, and refused to allow him to trot again.

In the free-for-all class Fascination and Grover C. had the race all to themselves and the contest was a very pretty one. The sorrel stallion generally kept the lead until the last quarter when the bay colt slipped past and came under the wire ahead, generally winning only by a few yards.

The quarter-mile dash was won by Will. Hall. Time, 1 minute and 10 seconds.'

State Items.

The New Castle Star has suspended publication, and now the city of New Castle, with 4,000 inhabitants is without a local paper.

John Foster of New Castle, found a carrier pigeon floating down the Delaware River. It was alive, but exhausted, and soon revived.

The New Castle county Levy Court, in Wilmington yesterday donated $1000 to the Ferris Industrial School as 1890 and 1891 appropriations.

Tax Receiver John T. Dickey will not endeavor to collect Newark's county road taxes, as that town's Council is empowered to receive and expend them.

A genuine ground hog was found at New Castle yesterday, where it had jumped from a carload of iron from Western Pennsylvania. It was presented to the Ground Hog Club.

Lewis Bell, night distributing clerk in the Wilmington post-office, took a bicycle header while returning from Delaware City, and cannot walk.

Charles Warner, Mrs. Charle Warner and Mrs. Francis Barry, who were severely injured in a runaway accident near Millsboro, Va., have arrived in Wilmington. They will recover.

Thomas C. Roe, of Dover, shipped 102 baskets of Red Astrachan Apples to Boston last week and received a check for $90.62 net in payment for the same.

Hans Geach, the German laborer of New Castle who recently fell heir to $42,000 by the death of German relatives, has received an additional $30,000 by the death of a Baltimore relative.

The tallest growing corn on the peninsula is on the farm of Jacob Pusey, near Centreville, Md., where it has thus far reached a height of 14 ft. 7 in.

Commissioners of School district No. 101, near Bear Station, want a school house located on the Toppin farm, instead of the Walther farm, and ask the Levy Court to enjoin the selected freeholders from accepting the latter site.

Combine Against Doctors.

A novel organization has been incorporated in Baltimore, Md. It is entitled the "Bureau of Medical Relief," and is a sort of insurance against sickness or one of the most disagreeable results of sickness, a doctor's bill. Each member of the Bureau pays 50 cents monthly for medical attendance; families (unlimited), $10 per annum or $1 per month.

The bureau employs a competent medical staff composed of well-known physicians, the member being free to choose from them his attending physician. These physicians will receive regular salaries from the bureau, and their number will be increased with the demand. By joining the bureau men and women of moderate incomes will insure competent medical attendance at a very small outlay. The medical societies will oppose the new organization as tending to decrease the fees and profits of the doctors.

The Wilmington Co-operative Trading Association is out $1,000 in cash by the disappearance of Clement Hinkel, its 18-year-old bookkeeper. This sum was left in the safe on Sunday, July 26, and the youth, knowing the combination, appropriated it. The concern deals in coal and wood, and Hinkel had been a trusted employe for six years. He was a Sunday-school going lad, never read bad literature and was the pride of his distracted father and mother.

Nervy Brakeman.

The *New York Press* recently, under the heading of "Good Stories of Smart Men," told the following:

A gentleman in the Pennsylvania railroad office said: "I can give you an instance of what pluck and determination to succeed will do. Isaac N. Mills, who, within the last three months, has resigned his position as superintendent of the Delaware division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, began his career on the Baltimore division as a brakeman on freight trains. One night, when the wind blew a gale and the rain froze as it fell, he was sitting in the cabin of a freight train half asleep. One of the officials who happened to be on board that night said to the conductor: "I do not believe you have that car with you. I would like to know the number of the second car from the engine. I fear there is some mistake here.

"It was a long train, and the only way to get the number was to walk the length of it as it rushed through the howling wind and darkness and then lean over the car with a lantern. The conductor said: 'It cannot be done, sir. No man can walk this train to-night and find the number of that car.

"Young Mills looked up and said: 'I'll get the number for you.'

"'You,' said the official, 'why, you never can do it.'

"'Yes, I can,' said Mills.

"He took up his lantern, braved the wind and the icy roof of the cars till he reached the second one from the engine and hanging over its edge, got the number and took it to his employer.

"This daring circumstance was talked about. Mill's worth came gradually to be recognized, until when the war broke out President Lincoln found in him a proper agent for the performance of responsible duties. The thoroughfare between Philadelphia and Baltimore was a perilous one at that time, and it was due to Mr. Mills's good management that few if any mishaps occurred.

"Years after he became superintendent of the Delaware division of the Pennsylvania (or the P. W. &. B., as it was then called). which position he has lately resigned to live more quietly at his beautiful home near Clayton.

A Martyr For Substitution.

In a recent issue of the *National Advertiser* the following item was copied from the *Bulletin of Pharmacy*:

M. Herrouet, a pharmacist of Mans, France, has retired to the seclusion of one of the French prisons for three months, the better to consider the evils of substitution. A physician had prescribed a hypodermatic injection of apomorphine, for a child three months old. The prescription was presented to M. Herrouet for dispensing, who, having no apomorphine, substituted morphine hydrochlorate, under the impression, as he admits, that the result would be the same. The physician, ignorant of the change, administered the injection; the child immediately fell into a comatose condition and died of poisoning shortly afterwards. M. Herrouet was prosecuted for homicide by imprudence, and the court decided that three months' solitary and careful thought would probaby convince him that it is always best to dispense a prescription as written or not dispense it at all. We would just remark *sotto voce* that substitution on physicians' prescriptions is not confined to France.

Preparing Her Own Grave.

Mrs. Mary Crouch, a widow of 80 years and the mother-in-law or Professor Wesley Webb, President of the State Colored College, has superintended the digging of her grave in the old Methodist Episcopal Cemetery. A tombstone is being made at her direction, and it will be erected, with a blank space for the death date, at the head of the open grave. Mrs Crouch is hearty, physically and mentally, and is one of the best known women in Dover.

Catarrh Can't be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you have to take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is no quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props.,
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Sold by druggists, price 75c.

General News.

August Ferguson and Patrick C. Carr two Gloucester, Mass., fisherman, were rescued by the French bark Sylmbest after being in an open boat for five days and nights without food or water. They had left their schooner, the Hodge, in an open boat to set trawls, and got lost in a dense fog which set in before they could get back to the vessel.

Henry F. Sherman, of Detroit, over two months ago charged three young men with stealing his watch, and since that time they have been in jail awaiting trial. He now states that the watch was not stolen and that he himself had pawned it and that in order to account for its disappearance he had brought the charge of theft.

MONTICELLO, Ill., August 19.—Professor Charles Belknap of Frankford, N. Y., made a successful ascension in the air-ship Carlotta here to-day in the presence of 10,000 people. He guided the ship through the air by the means of a "sky bicycle," and alighted in safety five miles from the place of ascension.

Young Men and Young Women

Taken from farm and village, and prepared at once to take responsible positions, by attending Goldey College, Wilmington, Del. Read the advertisement in another column and send for free catalogue.

THIRTY-FIVE FOR FIFTEEN.

A NOVEL CLOTHING SCHEME GOES UP AND THE DUPES CLAMOR FOR THEIR MONEY.

The Philadelphia *Times* of yesterday had the following which will be read with interest here, especially as several interested in the Clothing Association are residents of this town.

"Among the pathetic scenes which have become common in this city in connection with failing banks and bursting get-rich-quick bubbles was witnessed yesterday at the corner of Eighteenth and Walnut streets, where crowds of hard-working men and women packed the offices of the Rice Wright Clothing Association and begged for the return of their hard-earned money, which the flattering promises of the concern had induced them to invest.

The Rice Wright Clothing Association appears to be a sort of short-term order as applied to clothes or merchandise, and nearly 6,000 men, women and children have been induced to deposit in it their dollars under the impression that for $15 they would receive a $35 suit of clothes or $35 worth of merchandise. As in the case of the short term orders the earlier customers came out all right and the knowledge induced many others to join. By and by it was found that the certificates could not be matured so quickly, and demands were made something after the style of the "extra assessment" business of the short termers for more than the $15 to be paid in before the $35 suit could be given out.

The depositors did not mind a dollar or so extra, but when they had paid in $22 and $25 each, and were informed that they would have to keep on paying they began to suspect that the affair was bogus, and, taking the matter to their attorneys, were advised to at once bring actions against the proprietor for the recovery of the full amount paid in, it being decided by the attorneys that the whole affair was a fraud and that false representations had been made.

Lawyers Samuel E. Maires and J. V. West represent nearly thirty of the poor dupes, and both intend to recover the whole of their client's money in full or endeavor to send Mr. Rice Wright and his confrees to prison.

Yesterday in response to the supplications of the hundreds of people who visited the offices Manager L. C. Mauvel promised to refund on Wednesday all money paid, less twenty-five per cent, and endeavored to clear the skirts of the principals by saying "Look at the agreement you signed. It doesn't say definitely we will give you a $35 suit of clothes for $15, it only says we will if we can. You may have to pay in all the $35. This statement evidently took the dupes by surprise, as although many remembered having signed some sort of a document when they joined, very few appeared to have taken the trouble to read what they had signed and had depended entirely upon the verbal representations that they were sure to get $35 worth for $15.

The idea of the Rice Wright Custom Clothing and Merchaddise Company appears to have originated in the massive brain of Mr. Rice Wright, who is said to be the son of a Presbyterian minister of this city. The office at Eighth and Walnut streets was the first one opened, but so well did it prosper that others were quickly added and branches opened in New York, Chicago, Boston, Trenton and other cities. When the run first commenced about three weeks ago, Manager, L. C. Mauvel endeavored to quiet the fears of some of the depositors who then wanted their money back by saying that the Keystone Bank failure and the Bardsley affair had made money rather short.

The Rice Wright system of doing business is copyrighted and the motto of the Company is "In union there is strength." Their circulars say "the business in conducted upon a novel system and is guaranteed to pay 100 per cent." The depositors who were not satisfied yesterday, it is understood will apply for warrants for the arrest of the principal of the company to-day. Attorneys Maires and West aver that the company have no right to deduct twenty-five per cent, and having made false representations, must return the money in full or become defendants in criminal proceedings that will be instituted against the principals. The concern not being incorporated has no standing in law."

THE MARKETS.

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY JOHN W. JOLLS.

WHEAT—No. 2 red	102	New cob Corn	—
Steamer No. 2,	100	CORN	70c
Timothy Seed	20c	Yellow, shelled,	@70c
Clover Seed, per lb	9½	Oats,	@55c

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. M. REYNOLDS & CO.

Eggs, ₱ doz	14@16
Butter, ₱ lb	18@20
Lard, ₱ lb	9@10
Potatoes ₱ basket	25@30
Chickens ₱ lb	12@14

That Tired Feeling

Is a dangerous condition due directly to depleted or impure blood. It should not be allowed to continue, as in its debility the system is especially liable to serious attacks of illness. It is remarkable how beneficial Hood's Sarsaparilla is in this enervating state.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Possessing just those elements which the system needs and readily seizes, this medicine purifies the blood, and imparts a feeling of serene strength which is comforting and satisfying. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best remedy for that weakness which prevails at change of season, climate or life.

Makes the Weak Strong

"I have been convinced that Hood's Sarsaparilla is one of the greatest medicines in the world. I say this for the benefit of all other tired out, run down, hard-working women. Hood's Sarsaparilla is not only excellent as a blood purifier, but for all other female complaints, even if of long standing." MRS. M. A. SCARLETT, Northville P. O., Mich.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Sold by all druggists. $1; six for $5. Prepared only by C. I. HOOD & CO., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass.

100 Doses One Dollar

Miscellaneous Ad's.

REFUNDING OF DIRECT TAX!

Notice is hereby given that the original Direct Tax list, containing the names of persons in the State of Delaware who paid the Direct Tax on Real Estate in 1868, has been delivered to me by the Internal Revenue Department, and that all persons whose names appear on the said list will be entitled to have the amount paid by them as shown by the said List, refunded, and notice will be given hereafter at what times and places I will attend for the purpose of receiving the claims for Taxes to be so refunded.

Executors or Administrators will be required to furnish certificates from the Register of Wills of their respective counties of their appointment as Executor or administrator of the estates represented by their respective claimants.

I will be in Middletown on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 1st and 2d between the hours of nine o'clock A. M. and 5 o'clock P. M. to receive said applications.

J. FRANK WILDS,
Commissioner.

Dover, August 17th, 1891.

Wanamaker's.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, August 17th, 1891.

Store closed at one o'clock Saturdays.

All around the Dress Goods circles there are rarely winsome lots.

- Graduated stripes, wool, and wool striped Melange, 75c. from $1.
- Striped or plaided Melange Cheviot, 75c. from $1.25.
- Cheviot Serge, for yachting, seaside or mountain wear, 50c. to $1.25—36 to 54 inches.
- Broadcloths, 75c. to $1.25—51 and 52 inches.
- 5c. Challis still keeps the women wondering.
- Crisp Linen Lawns are down to 15, 20, 25 and 30c.
- Canton Cloth at 10 from 12½c, and black and white Printed Sateens, at 12½ from 20c. (dress length) are among the bargains.

For August only.

Men's Black Derby Hats at $1.75 that are worth $3 to $4. Neglect now and repent in October. Buy now and enjoy in October.

The special sale of Smyrna Rugs will go on for a few days. A choice of styles in each size. A chance that will not come this way again.

1 ft 6 in x 3 ft, regular $1.50, at $1.00
1 ft 9 in x 3 ft 9 in, regular $2.25, at $1.25 only a few of this size.
2 ft 2 in x 4 ft 6 in, regular $3.15, at $2.00.
2 ft 6 in x 5 ft, regular $3.90, at $2.25.
3 ft x 6 ft, regular $5.00, at $3.50.

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Rev. Francis H. Moore, Pastor.

Services held every Sabbath morning at 10.30 o'clock, and every Sabbath evening at 7.30. Sabbath school will be held every Sabbath morning at 9.15 o'clock. Harry Ellison Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

Services at Armstrong's chapel the first Sabbath of each month at 2.30 p. m.

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Divine Service on Sunday mornings at half past ten o'clock and in the evenings at half past seven. Sunday-school at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Services Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Town Notes.

— County Superintendent H. D. Griffin held an examination at the Academy here last Saturday for the convenience of those teachers wishing to secure second or third grade certificates.

— The early departure of some of the peach trains is a source of very great inconvenience to the shippers. Cars are pulled out while peaches are being loaded in them, and frequently the men who pack the peaches in the cars have to go with the train to brace up the baskets so as to prevent upsetting.

— A mule attached to the peach wagon of Alexander Metten, dropped dead in the road just outside of town, while being driven home early Monday evening. Death is supposed to have resulted from heart disease as the animal had done very little work during the day and had never been ill before.

— From seven to ten cars are being loaded with peaches every day and Middletown is still a peach centre of some magnitude. Those persons who have been in the business for many years say that finer or more luscious peaches never grew on the Peninsula. Buyers are still scarce, but prices are slowly improving.

— Mr. Edward Reynolds of this place, received from 170 peach trees on his Kent county farm, 1,264 baskets of fruit, an average of about 7 baskets to the tree. This yield is considered extraordinary, and has probably not been exceeded on the Peninsula this season. What makes it all the more remarkable is that not a single basket of the fruit was premature; in fact Mr. Reynolds will not ship any peaches unless they have matured properly.

— Oliver Stevens, clerk of the steamer Clio, plying between Odessa and Philadelphia, suffered a very severe accident on Friday, while assisting with some work around the wharf. The boat was moving slightly as it lay at the wharf and in some way Mr. Stevens caught his foot between the gang-plank and the wharf. It was very badly crushed, and he was taken to Philadelphia Saturday and had the foot amputated below the knee. He is doing as well now as possible, under the circumstances.

— Henry Jacobs, colored, was brought to town Monday morning suffering from a severe wound over the left ear which he had received at the camp near Mt. Pleasant about 11 o'clock the previous evening. The man was very weak, and was unable to walk without assistance. He stated that another colored man hit him over the head with a bridle and it is supposed that the bit of the bridle made the wound. Jacobs is an inoffensive man, generally, and it is thought that someone hit him by mistake. Dr. Vaughan took several stitches in the wound to close it and the injured man was taken home by his friends. He was not missed after the accident and lay out in the wood all night, and was discovered by some friends the following morning.

— Mr. Cecil Mahoney, the civil engineer of the Delaware railroad has been engaged during the present week surveying the route for the Middletown and Odessa railroad. The road will, if no changes are made, run out Lake street and then over to the public road leading from Middletown to Odessa, thence with said road all, or part of the way, to Odessa. One side of the public road will be used so that horses not accustomed to passing cars will have plenty of room. The objection to the use of Main street caused the Town Comsioners to provide for the use of Lake street for the road, but the wisdom of the change is not very apparent as there are almost as many families residing there as there are on Main street. Mr. W. R. Polk who is the originator of the enterprise is now very hopeful and says he is advancing step by step toward the completion of his work. There now seems to be little doubt of the fact that this little road is to be built and operated by the monster monopoly, but the Odessa people believe that even this would be better than no road at all. There is just this difference between a road operated by the Pennsylvania railroad company and a road operated by a separate and distinct corporation, in one case the road will be used to injure the water route and in the other it would not. In the hands of a separate company the road would be of great advantage to a large area of very productive country as a means of bringing cheaply and quickly, produce of various kinds to water transportation.

— List of unclaimed letters remaining in the post-office, which can be had by saying they are advertised: Miss Hattie Briscoe, E. C. Brinser, Esq., Miss Nellie Conley, Eliza Collins, Miss Clary Chambers, Isaac Moore, Esq., Harry W. Roe, (2), J. F. Ridgway, William Sipple.

— The season at the Opera House will open on Thursday evening, September 17th, with the presentation of "Our Country Cousin," by a good company. The press in general speaks highly of the entertainment. Frank Jones, the original "Si Perkins," will take the principal character, and the play throughout is said to be a good one.

— Mr. Wells, of the firm of Wells, Herring & Co. has been in town the past few days making arrangements to start their factory. The firm will endeavor to secure all the help here this year, instead of bringing it from Baltimore as was done last year, and Mr. Wells desires to hear from all the young women or young men who desire employment. He will be found at the factory to-morrow, where any who wish may see him.

— W. C. Seeds, Wilmington's crack bicyclist, made the run from that place to Middletown yesterday morning in 1 hour 35 minutes and 40 seconds, beating his best previous record of 1 hour 42 minutes and 30 seconds. He rode a cushioned Eagle wheel and timed himself. The distance is about 24 miles, and at the rate Seeds came he made each mile in about 4 minutes. The time for the entire distance is the best that has ever been made in Delaware.

— The directors of the Delaware State Fair of Dover, announce the next annual exposition for the week beginning September 21st. The prospects now indicate its being one of the finest ever held at Fair View Park. Many new attractions have been added for the entertainment of visitors, and we trust the citizens of Delaware and Maryland will take a deep interest and sustain the management in it efforts to make the Fair a success. Catalogues mailed on application to D. P. Barnard, Sec. Dover, Del.

— During the peach season of 1888 a gentleman who is said to grow the finest peaches on the Peninsula sent to President Cleveland two baskets of his very finest fruit. A gentleman who is interested in the business, but of different political faith, told the admirer of Mr. Cleveland that Mr. Harrison would be the next President and that he would send him two baskets of the best of the next crop. The Cleveland man was so positive that Mr. Harrison would not be elected that he offered to furnish the peaches in case they were needed. Tuesday was a great day for fine peaches and along came the Cleveland man with two baskets of remarkably fine fruit with which to redeem his pledge. The peaches were sent by express to the summer capital at Cape May Point and President Harrison is now aware of the fact that the Peninsula peach is the most luscious of all fruits.

Personal Mention

— Miss Mary Anderson is visiting friends in York, Pa.

— Mr. E. W. Prettyman spent Sunday last in Philadelphia.

— Clarence Hollis of Wilmington, was in town over Sunday.

— Rev. E. C. Atkins of Wilmington, was in town on Wednesday.

— Victor Cochran of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his mother here.

— Miss Mary Lippincott and Miss Eugenia Beasten spent Sunday in Wilmington.

— Miss Edith M. Clayton is visiting Mrs. R. L. Naudain. They drive in town almost every evening.

— Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Rose spent several days last week at Kennedyville and Tolchester.

— Mr. George Frame Wilson has returned from a several day's stay at Ocean Grove, N. J.

— Miss Annie Wist of Redden, Del., was the guest of Mrs. V. L. Culbertson on Sunday last.

— Miss Jennie Causey of Milford, is being entertained by Miss Laura Willits, at her home near town.

— The Misses Will. and Mary Beasten of Mt. Pleasant, are visiting friends in Wilmington for a week.

— Warren Cochran, with Golding & Co., Philadelphia, came home Saturday to spend a weeks' vacation.

— Rev. W. W. W. Wilson and wife of Smyrna, visited Rev. N. M. Browne and wife of Middletown, on Monday.

— Dr. R B. McKee and family, who have been at Rehoboth for the past three weeks, returned home yesterday.

— Miss Lidie McNamee returned to her home near North East, Tuesday morning, after a two weeks' visit among friends and relatives here.

— Mr. John B. Roberts returned home from Rehoboth a few days ago very much benefitted by his trip. He will go down again for a few days.

— Mrs. W. P. Mifflin and daughter, Ada, of this place, and Mrs. B. S. Johnson and son of Little Rock, Ark., are at White Sulphur Springs, Va., for two weeks.

— Messrs. Joseph B. Mendinhall and Owen Spear of Wilmington, rode down to Middletown on their bicycles yesterday morning and spent the day and evening here. They returned home early this morning.

Outbuildings and Contents Burned.

The barn, stables, carriage-house and sheds on the farm of Mr. A. Ennis of this place, situated in Blackbird hundred and tenanted by George Ennis, were entirely consumed by fire at an early hour Sunday morning. In addition to the buildings, their contents including all the farming utensils, drill, thresher, stacker, harness and about 300 bushels of wheat were burned.

The entire loss will aggregate $2,000, on which there is an insurance of $1,000.

The fire is supposed to have resulted from an accident, and no blame is attached to anyone. A farm laborer is supposed to know something about how the blaze originated, as he has disappeared, but it is not thought that he set the buildings on fire intentionally.

Social Events of a Week.

TENDERED A RECEPTION.

A reception was tendered Miss Laura Willits and her friend Miss Causey, at the home of Robert A. Cochran, near Middletown, on Tuesday evening. The time was spent in dancing and social amusement, and refreshments were served during the evening. The company dispersed about 12 o'clock.

Those present were the Misses Laura Willits, Jennie Causey, Helen Naudain, Edith Derrickson, Bessie Reynolds, Blanche Cochran, Sadie Pharo, Marion Cochran, Lizzie Cochran, Lidie Cochran, Mary Cochran, and Messrs. H. B. McDowell, W. R. Reynolds, Cecil Green, Percy Bailey, Myers Conwell, Douglass Cochran, Horatio Pharo, Herman Cochran and Merritt Willits.

MASQUERADE PARTY.

One of the most enjoyable social events of the season was a masquerade party given last Friday evening by Mrs. H. N. Willits in honor of her niece Miss Laura Willits, and the latter's guest, Miss Jennie Causey, of Milford. The masqueraders assembled about 8.30 o'clock, arrayed in a variety of costumes which completely concealed their identity. The guests numbered about thirty. The lawn in front of the house was handsomely decorated with Chinese lanterns and was a favorite resort for the promenaders. The time was spent in dancing and other social amusements and the excellent refreshments which were served about 11 o'clock were by no means the least engaging part of the evening's pleasure.

Among those present were the Misses Corinne Cochran, Edith Derrickson, Blanche Cochran, Sadie Pharo, Annie Gibbs, Laura Willits, Bessie Morton, Lidie Cochran, Mary Cochran, Lizzie Cochran, Mamie Rothwell, Fannie Derrickson, N. J. Williams and wife, and Messrs. H. B. McDowell, W. R. Reynolds, E. R. Cochran, Jr., John P. Rothwell, Wm. G. Lockwood, E. M. Vaughan, Douglass Cochran, H. Willits, Merritt Willits, S. Lockwood, Horatio Pharo, Middletown; Miss Jennie Causey, Milford; Percy Baily, Philadelphia; Alex. Corbit, Odessa: Miss Florence Hall, Messrs. Cleaver and Carpenter, Port Penn; Joseph Gibbs and wife, Wheeling, West Virginia; Edward Gibbs, Baltimore.

DANCE AT AUGUSTINE PIER.

The fourth dance of the season under the management of Messrs. Reynolds, Poole and Cochran at Augustine Pier, on Monday evening was the most successful one yet given by the gentlemen, and the first private dance held at that place in two years when the participants did not encounter a storm during the evening. But nature seemed inclined to smile upon them at last and as a result extended them as delightful an evening as could be wished for. There were a large number from a distance present, but several whose presence was anticipated found it impossible to attend.

Among the participants were the Misses Blanche Cochran, Helen Naudain, Edith Derrickson, Mable Parvis, Fanny Cochran, Clara and Mary Brady, May and Della Clayton, Viola Ennis, Bessie Reynolds, Lizzie, Mary and Lydia Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Penington, Miss Laura Willits, Mr. J. P. Cochran and wife, H. A. Poole, E. R. Cochran, Jr., W. R. Reynolds, C. L. Green, Thos. Clayton, Clarence Clayton, Warren Cochran, Douglas Cochran, Schee Lockwood, Fred Brady, H. B. McDowell of Middletown; Nim. Davis of Cecilton; E. Beasten, Miss Beulah Clayton of Mt. Pleasant; Herman Cochran, Will. Wood of Middletown; Miss McNamee, North East, Md.; Miss Fanny Cann, Glasgow; Wm. Carpenter, Mr. Griffin, Clayton Riley, Boyd Cleaver and Miss Cleaver of Port Penn; Miss Alice Eliason, Summit Bridge; Janvier Woods and wife, Clarence Poole and wife, Frank Poole, Will. Janvier, McDonough; Miss Causey of Milford; A. M. Brown and wife, Philadelphia; Bayard Heisel, St. Georges; T. E. Sadler, S. Townsend, Harry Clark, Miss Clark, Misses Laura Sadler, Mame McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wright, Miss Harmer, Delaware City; Misses Fanny and Annie McWhorter, Wilmington; Mr. Sutton of Chicago; Emerson McWhorter and Mr. Barber of Pittsburg. Dancing commenced at 9 o'clock and continued until 1.30 A. M. The music was the best the management of the Pier ever produced, and with moonlight promenading, riding on the switch-back and the ride home the evening was one of the most enjoyable of the season.

What Causes the Yellows.

Wm. A. Ruth, of Georgetown has written a letter to the Dover Delawarean in which he claims that the Peach Yellows are caused by the breeding of varieties in and in. He says: "It is as plain a case as ever came to the observation of any man of wisdom that a continual breeding in and in will cause diseases of all races and kinds on the face of God's earth. Our nurserymen for years have practiced this most infernal practice of budding in and in till it has caused a disease that will prevail all over this country till the present generation or trees are no more and is consumed by fire to ashes. In the days when our trees were budded on natural stocks we had no yellows and but few worms."

Dunning Goes to Chili.

John P. Dunning of the Associated Press staff, San Francisco, has been ordered to Chili by the news company to report the troubles now going on in that country. He left San Francisco several days ago and is now well on to Chili. Mr. Dunning is well-known in Middletown and he has the best wishes of everyone here on his journalistic mission.

Receiver of Taxes John T. Dickey will be in Middletown, for the purpose of securing taxes on the 24th day of August, which is next Monday, and at Odessa on Tuesday, August 25th. By paying taxes before the first day of September a rebate of five per. cent.

St. Augustine Bridge.

The "old road" over St. Augustine marsh was an ordinary causeway protected by a bank which was kept up by the St. Augustine Marsh Company, an incorporated body of land owners. In 1860 this bank was broken by a storm and was not repaired, consequently the road was under water for a long time and finally disappeared. After about ten years the first bridge was built. In 1876 the great storm of that year carried away part of the bridge which was replaced. In 1878 the heaviest and most destructive storm ever known on the Delaware river carried away everything but the piles. After nearly two years had elapsed a new bridge was built and is still standing. In consequence of these two storms the expenditure of large sums of money was necessary and a great deal of the $81,000 mentioned in the Every Evening was spent in this way. The Levy Court could not control the acts of providence in the matter and as the members knew that the road was necessary they could not allow it to go down.

During the last term of Mr. Shallcross an effort was made to build a solid dirt road over a portion of the distance; it is now in good condition and is permanent.

Mr. Jolls, the present member from this Hundred, contemplates building a solid road over another part of the distance which will shorten the bridge about one half.

Every Evening stated that the bridge is used by only four or five families. This is a plain and direct misrepresentation. It is used by fully as many persons as the "parallel road" mentioned, and it is the opinion of some of the best men of the Hundred that it should not be abandoned. As to the following:

"Worse than that the reporter discovered a gang of yeomen at work replacing what seemed to be the sound oak planks with what is known as "bull pine" boards. These were of the poorest, roughest kind, ragged and dotted with knot holes, and of a reddish soft texture."

There is absolutely no truth in it. The "sound oak planks" were taken up so that new stringers, which support the floor, could be put in and the "sound oak planks" were then replaced. What the correspondent said were "bull pine" boards were yellow pine planks two and a quarter inches thick. As to the knot holes the dealer who furnished the planks, offers to pay the befuddled correspondent five dollars each for every one he can point out. What "a reddish soft texture" means we do not know. The "parallel road" which the people could "conveniently use," is five miles away, and the average distance from the homes of the people living south of Augustine to Port Penn, by the "parallel road," is six miles, while over the bridge it is three. As to the proposal of the correspondent to move the bridge farther inland and there build a stone bridge little can be said. Farther inland no solid bottom has ever been found in the marsh and a stone bridge would disappear in a night; such a thing is absolutely impossible while New Castle County's tax rate is less than one dollar on the hundred. As showing the falsity of the statement that a great majority of the people would like to see the road go down we append the statements of the following well-known gentlemen.

Levy Court Commissioner Jolls says that on no account should the bridge be abandoned at this time.

D. M. Cochran said that he believed that a dirt road should be built as soon as possible, but that the road should not be abandoned.

Dr. I. S. Vallandigham said that no better reason exists for the abandonment of the road leading from Port Penn to Delaware City than because it is paralleled with another road three miles distant. He also said that because a large sum of money had been spent in the past is no reason for the expenditure of so much in the future. He also says emphatically that the road should not be abandoned.

Mr. Alex Metten said that he thinks the road should be maintained.

Mr. J. Thomas Budd said that the road is a necessity, that the town of Port Penn pays a good round sum in taxes and is as much entitled to good roads to and from the town as any other place. That the people living in the neighborhood immediately south of the bridge pay heavy taxes and are entitled to some consideration and that the same rule applies to all the southern and western part of the hundred.

Mr. Thomas Cavender said that the road is a connecting link which is necessary. That the tax-payers living near the bridge should be protected in their rights, and that he believed that as the road is now in good condition it should be maintained.

Mr. John S. Crouch, cashier of Citizen's Bank, said that by all means possible the road should be kept in good condition.

Mr. Nathaniel Williams said that the road was not built in the first place as he thought it should be, that he believed a bank should have been built large enough to make a road on top of it, but that the road should be maintained as it is.

Mr. G. D. Kelley, cashier of People's Bank said, he believes that a road of some kind should be maintained across the Augustine marsh for the convenience of the people of this whole hundred.

Mr. J. R. Hoffecker who pays a great deal of tax for the support of the county government said that on no account should the road be abandoned. He also said that a solid road should be built as soon as possible, that the people of St. Georges hundred are entitled to as much consideration as any other tax-payers in the county, that even though only a few persons were benefited by this road the same principle which applies to the expenditure of public money for the benefit of Wilmington should be applied in this case. He also said that because money had been expended in the past is no reason why the work should not be continued, that he believed Mr. Jolls is working in a proper manner to secure the best results, and that every endeavor would be made by him to make a good road at moderate expense.

Mr. H. A. Nowland was asked whether or not the road should be abandoned, to which question he promptly answered, No! He believes the road is necessary and that it should be maintained.

Henry Cleaver of Port Penn said that such a move would be ridiculous, that the road is a necessity and should on no account be abandoned.

Mr. Joseph Cleaver said that a road there is necessary, and that any such

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was prepostorous, and not

entertained by the Levy Court.

All these gentlemen reside in the western side of the hundred and are tax-payers and interested in the question. They are only a few of the many who believe the road to be a necessity.

Mr. William Taylor who furnished the yellow pine planking wishes the statement as to knot-holes denied, states that it is a lie out of the whole cloth and that he wishes to be held responsible for the consequences of the assertion.

DELAWARE CITY.

HAPPENINGS OF A WEEK IN A THRIVING TOWN.— PERSONAL ITEMS OF INTEREST.

— Miss Lou Price is spending a week at Phœnixville, Pa.

— Miss Ada Hayes of Philadelphia, is visiting Miss Rina Foard.

— Miss Alice Hathaway of Philadelphia, is visiting Miss Annie Schunder.

— Miss Adelia Justus of Locust Grove, Md., is visiting Mrs. Dr. F. S. Dunlap.

— Mr. A. Colburn and daughters, are expected home from Europe this week.

— County Treasurer, John T. Dickey, will receive taxes here to-morrow, (Friday.)

— Mr. and Mrs. Brady of Philadelphia, are visiting Mr. Daniel O'Neill and sisters.

— Miss Emma Murray of New Castle, Del., is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. C. Webb.

— Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bowman of Philadelphia, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hibshman.

— Mr. Joseph Bruner of New York City, has been visiting his brother here during the past week.

— Prof. John Brown of Wilmington, will preside at the organ at Christ Episcopal Church on Sunday.

— Mrs. Cleland of Philadelphia, who has been visiting Mrs. Colburn for the past three weeks, has returned home.

— Miss Katie Lang of Philadelphia, is spending a two week's vacation at her home here.

— Mrs. V. B. Asher of Edgewood, Md., spent Friday with Mrs. W. T. Vail, on Washington avenue.

— Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schunder of Philadelphia, and children are spending a week with his parents here.

— Summer ducks are plentiful at Scott's run, and a number of them have been killed this week.

— Mrs. S. J. McCall, Jr., who has been spending a week at Brandywine Summit camp meeting, returned home on Saturday.

— Mr. Maxwell Reybold has accepted a position with P. M. Sharpless of West Chester, Pa., manufacturer of creamery supplies.

— Mr. John Cleaver of Florida, formerly a resident of this place, is spending two weeks with his uncle, Mr. Isaac Cleaver, at Port Penn.

— The prospects for reed bird shooting in this vicinity are very poor, as the birds have failed to put in an appearance up to this date. Scarcity of millet may be the cause.

— The crabbing season which is drawing to a close, is the best we have had here for many years; the crabs have been plentiful, of extra large size and in excellent condition.

— Mr. Frank E. Smith of San Francisco, vice-president of the National Association of Letter Carriers, is visiting Mr. John J. Messig this week.

— The canning factory of J. E. Stansbury & Co., has been put into first-class running order, and work will begin on tomatoes on Monday or Tuesday. Mr. William J. Beck will be foreman this season.

— The canal company's mud machine, which has been digging in the harbor here for the past six weeks, finished there on Saturday, and is digging in the canal this week. A part of the dirt dug from the canal will be used to level up the park at the lock.

— The public school is being cleaned and put in order for the coming term. Among the improvements made during vacation are new blackboards in the primary department, the old ones being too high for the little ones to reach comfortably. The old corps of teachers have been re-engaged, with Professor Gardiner as principal.

— A fruit bazarr was opened on the lawn in front of the M. E. Church on Wednesday evening and will continue on Thursday and Friday. An attractive musical programme has been arranged for each evening. On Wednesday the Delaware City Social Orchestra with Professor Ellenger of Wilmington leading; on Thursday a choir of thirty voices from Delaware Ave. Baptist Church, Wilmington; Friday not announced.

— Jennie Vankirk, oldest daughter of Captain Thomas S. Vankirk, died here on Monday morning. Although afflicted with a lingering illness for a number of years her death was sudden. She had been about all the week, and was only taken with severe illness on Saturday morning, from which time she continued to grow worse, until eleven o'clock on Monday morning, when death relieved her suffering. The funeral services were held in Christ Episcopal Church by the Rev. H. L. C. Braddon, rector. Interment in Delaware City cemetery.

— Mr. J. E. Simpson of the firm of J. E. Simpson & Sons, has been in town during the week, making arrangements for beginning the work on the large dry dock which they are going to build here. On Monday Mr. Simpson with a force of men from Delaware City made soundings along the river front, between the harbor and the battery wharf, and found plenty of water with excellent bottom for the desired purposes. The steamer Geo. W. Wright arrived here on Wednesday morning, loaded with wheelbarrows, derricks, pumps and other apparatus used in building dry docks. They are being stored in the large building erected on the Simpson property for that purpose. The said rigging was shipped from League Island where the firm used them in building the dry dock there.

The Exorbitancy of Express Companies.

A basket of peaches expressed from here to Plainfield cost as follows: Adams charged 55 cents to take it to Elizabeth and no delivery to make, and the United States charged 35 cents from Elizabeth to Plainfield a distance of about eleven miles, and took two days to do it. How is that for high?

Townsend spent

friends near Smyrna.

Will. Briggs of Wilmington, was the guest of John Townsend on Monday.

— Misses Maggie Sayers and Clara Eliason of Wilmington, are guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gears.

— Mr. Edward Townsend of Wilmington, was the guest of friends a few days last week in town.

— Miss Linnie Opdyke of Philadelphia, was the guest of Mrs. C. F. Hubbard on Sunday and Monday.

— Misses Annie and Mamie Reams and Master Charlie Reams of Clayton, are guests of friends near town.

— Rev. R. Irving Watkins of Chestertown, Md., was the guest of Geo. M. D. Hart the first part of this week.

— Mrs. Lattomus entertained on Tuesday Rev. R. I. Watkins and wife, Rev. Frank Fletcher and wife, and Miss Mary Star.

— Mr. Ollie Higgins of Philadelphia, returned home on Wednesday after a week's vacation, at his home near town.

— Mrs. Maggie Carpenter of Philadelphia, who was the guests of friends several days last week, returned to her home on Friday.

— The desire to make the most of a promising crop of peaches the first of the season led the growers to ship any and everything that bore the slightest resemblance to a peach, which to-day is the cause of peaches selling so low. A careful and persistent thinning out of the peaches on the trees and a rejection of prematures, thus delaying the opening of the season until good peaches were ready, would have been wise. That was not done. This is a good market for peaches, which the growers of Maryland have found out. When a man drives into town with a fine load of peaches he has no trouble to sell. His wagon is approached by the dealer and the first question asked is, what isy our bid? will you ship or sell? don't know, haven't had any bid. While this is going on, the small boy thinks he must have a put also. He asks no questions but simply climbs up on the wagon and helps himself to the fruit. The boys do the tasting while the men close a bargain. As soon as the bargain is closed he drives to the car and his peaches are unloaded. He is given a check or slip to be cashed at the stores and goes home with the cash in his pocket. The man who sells his peaches direct and gets the cash does far better than the man who ships to a commission house. 26 car loads were shipped from this station last week. This week the fruit is much nicer, and is bringing better prices.

ROCK.

Jurors Drawn.

The following list of jurors has been drawn for the September term of the United States District Court, which convenes on Tuesday Septembr 8th;

GRAND JURORS.

J. Harvey Whiteman, Mill Creek; Joseph H. Primrose, Duck Creek; William Short, Cedar Creek; Daniel C. Cowgill, Little Creek; Lewis B. Morrow, Wilmington; Thomas B. Brison, Wilmington; James Darley Seaford; Robert Simpler, Blackbird; John B. Foreman; Wilmington; Frank Saulsbury, Lewes and Rehoboth; Thomas Curry, Nanticoke; Ferdinand Janviers, Pencader; Ethan B. King, Brandywine; Samuel M. Enos, St. Georges; A. N. Sutton, Red Lion; Thomas Cochran, St. Georges; John R. Cahall, Milford; Richard F. Mahoney, Wilmington; Edward H. Gregg, Wilmington; Arthur Colborn, Red Lion; James L. Carpenter, Christiana; John C. Baily, Duck Creek; Walter D. Bush, Wilmington.

PETIT JURORS.

The following petit jurors were drawn at the same time:

John H. Turner, Wilmington; David S. Clark, Kenton; Howard Sudler, North West Fork; H. R. Borie, New Castle; George W. Gray, Wilmington; Joseph Jefferson, Kenton; William V. Sipple, Cedar Creek; Winder McVey, Wilmington; John Garrison, Duck Creek; Alfred Russell, Broadkiln; Martin Johnston, Wilmington; Edward Farmar, Wilmington; William A Cochran, St. Georges; Elias N. Moore, Odessa; William Collins, Duck Creek: Phillip Windsor, Georgetown; Joseph H. Gooding, Wilmington; Joseph Petitdemange, Mill Creek; Samuel H. Baynard, Wilmington; G. M. Macklin, Nanticoke; John R. Rickards, Northwest Fork; Robert A. Davis, West Dover; Theodore Manor, Duck Creek; Levi Lattomus, Appoquinimink; Owen J. Hession, Wilmington; Clark Pierce, Brandywine; John M. Elliott, Little Creek; Samuel Bancroft, Wilmington; James H. Reed, South Murderkill; William H. Hurdle, Indian River; William H. King, Red Lion; David Ercoff, Mill Creek; Alfred Massey, West Dover; Samuel H. Black, New Castle.

Attempted Suicide.

Robert Blackway, a well-known farmer of Sassafras Neck, in the first district of Cecil county, made two attempts at suicide at his home near Cecilton, one day last week. He first took laudanum but medical aid was summoned and relief given. He subsequently attempted to cut his throat, but failed. Mr. Blackway is 65 years of age, and for some time has been melancholy in consequence of financial failures which overtook him several years ago. Steps have been taken to place him an an asylum for treatment. — Elkton Appeal.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Middletown Academy held a few days ago Dr. T. H. Gilpin was elected a member of the Board to fill the vacacy caused by the death of William Green, Esq., some time ago.

Isaac Roberts, aged 54 years, a cabinetmaker employed at the Pullman Palace Car Works, and living at No. 1002 Spruce street, in Wilmington is cutting his third set of teeth. Five molars are now piercing their way through his gums, and he suffers infantile agony. He thinks he will cut additional teeth when the present set matures.

J. Frank Wilds, Commissioner for the distribution of the refunded direct tax, will be in Middletown to recieve applications for the refunding of the amounts paid by persons residing in this neighborhood, on Tuesday, and Wednesday, September first and second. He will be at Smyrna to-day and to-morrow for the same purpose.

MARRIED.

GEARS—MOODY.—At the M. E. parsonage, Odessa, Del., on Sunday eve, Aug. 16th, by the Rev. H. S. Thompson, Harry E. Gears and Wilmina E. Moody of Middletown.

Administ

REAL ESTATE

By virtue of an order of the Orphan's Court of the State of Delaware, in and for New Castle county, made on the Thirteenth day of July, A. D., 1891, will be exposed to sale at public vendue,

Saturday, August 22nd,

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon,

At the hotel of Armstrong & Sparks, in Middletown, the following described real estate late of Josiah Blackway, dec'd, to wit:

No. 1—All that certain farm or tract of land, situate in St. Georges Hundred, New Castle county and State of Delaware, bounded and described as follows: Situate on the south side of the public road leading from Armstrong's Corner to the Choptank Road, and on the east side of said Choptank Road and bounded by lands now or late of Benj. Armstrong, J. R. Holten and brothers, and Mary Clayton Price, with a Frame House and Outbuildings thereon erected,

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No. 2—Situate in the Town of Middletown, on Catharine and Lake streets, and bounded by lands now or late of Wm. Green, John Lockwood, heirs of John Allston, deceased, A. H. Hushabeck and others, with two dwellings and other buildings theron erected, containing about 18 acres of land, more or less.

Attendance will be given and terms made known bb THOMAS DAVIS, and WILHELMINA BLACKWAY, Administrators, Or by their Attorney.

Attest: CHAS. H. McWHORTER, Clk. O. C.

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NOTICE.

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